



MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Michigan Senate
P.O. Box 30036
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Dear Senator(s):

As you know Michigan Technological University has been deeply involved in research across the State of Michigan on Dangerous Nearshore Currents. Our researchers at both the Great Lakes Research Center (GLRC), here on campus and at the Michigan Tech Research Institute (MTRI), in Ann Arbor, have worked for several years to provide a better understanding of the physical forcings which cause rip currents, longshore currents and structural currents to exist and persist on our State's beaches. The ultimate goal of these research efforts, are to save lives from this largely unexpected wave-induced threat.

It is in that spirit, we join in encouraging your support for the proposed legislation entitled: A bill (SB265) to Amend 1978 PA 368. Entitled "Public health code," by amending section 12542 (MCL 333.12542). Enacting this legislation will provide for safety and rescue equipment to be placed along Michigan's unguarded beaches by governmental entities while providing governmental immunity for such acts.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Glenn D. Mroz".

Glenn D. Mroz
President